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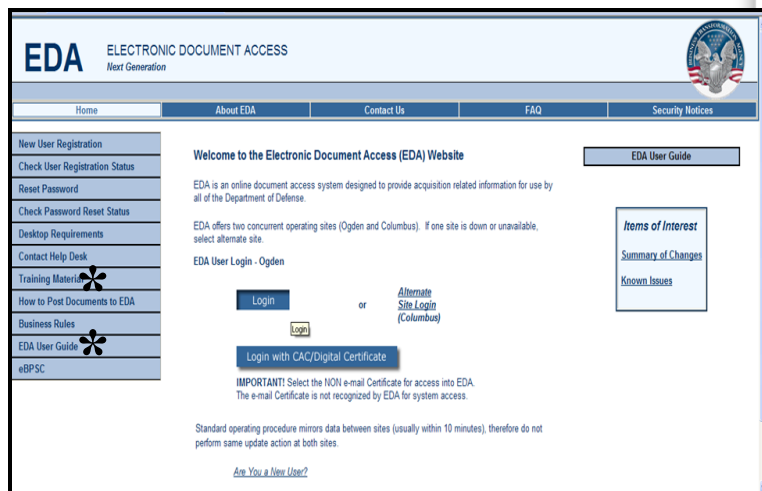**Focus:** Electronic Document Access (EDA) Release 7.6

This volume contains information about the updates to the EDA application as contained in release 7.6 placed into production 15 Mar 2010. Inside you will find the details of the enhancements relative to this release and updates to PRBuilder on approving PRs in SPS. Please forward to your Vendors and/or Marines as required.

We have added a new section to the newsletter entitled "From the PRBuilder User Community" where you, as the reader, can submit messages and have them published in the newsletter.

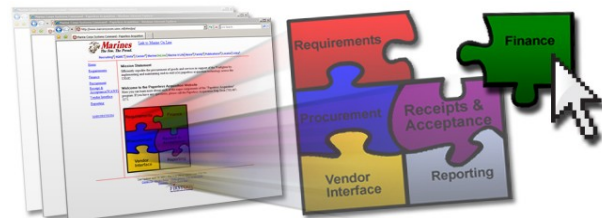Access Training Materials and EDA User Guide from the EDA Home Page (see fig.1, below)

http://eda.ogden.disa.mil/

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http://www.marcorsyscom.usmc.mil/sites/pa/

Figure 1. EDA Home Page

WHAT'S NEW IN 7.6

Per the requirements gathered by the EDA Program Management Office (PMO), the features detailed below were implemented with the deployment of this release:

- Allow authorized EDA POC Supporting Multiple Organizations to expand and view the lower-level organizations for EDA & CDR POC assignment. (EBEDA_DRT_362)

- Adds Verbiage to Contract Inactivation for User Clarification. (EBEDA_DRT_354)

- Adds SFIS+16 (FDIP) functionality to allow for incoming SFIS (Standard Financial Information Structure) XML data to be processed and loaded into the database. Search and display capabilities for this data will be provided in the application via a link on the Contract Search Options screen (Figure 1.). When invoked, the link, labeled LOA/SFIS Search, will bring up a Custom/LOA SFIS Search screen (Figure 2.), on which sixteen new data fields will be available for custom searches. (EBEDA_SCR_288)

Figure 1. Contracts Search Options

Figure 2. Custom LOA/SFIS Search

WHAT'S NEW IN 7.6 cont.

- Allows Vendor ECA Certificates to be recognized. (EBEDA_DR_352)

- When using Change Password – Submitting a Blank Text Box will no longer produce an Error Screen. (EBEDA_DR_358)

- Corrects URL in Certificate Registration Approval Notification that was missing a 'Dot'. (EBEDA_DR_364

- The Recent Docs table that populates the recent documents drop down list will be refreshed – meaning there will only be entries from EDA 7.6 forward.

Approving PRs in SPS

It has been brought to our attention that the failure rate of PR MODs going to SPS has increased by at least 4% in the last couple of weeks. After careful analysis, we have concluded that this increase was due to PRBuilder modifications being sent to SPS while the base documents are not approved.

In order to increase the successfulness of PR Modification deliveries across the interface, it is recommended that PRBuilder Contracting Managers verify that the base PR in PD² is "APPROVED" prior to ROUTING the PR Modification from PRBuilder. As a best practice method, all PRs should be generated and approved upon receipt in PD² to prevent interface failure/delays. Furthermore, Contracting Managers that route PRs or PR Modifications to PD² should verify receipt into the PD² system.

Please also note that in the case of SAF Modifications, they do not pass through the Contracting Manager's PRBuilder inbox once the release dates assigned to the PRs are triggered in PRBuilder via the automated SAF Modification creation. Once the commitment has been validated in SABRS, if the base was sent to SPS, the SAF Modification will be sent automatically to SPS.

From the PRBuilder User Community

PRBuilder as the front end of the end-to-end procurement process has a diverse community of contracting, financial and supply activities. At some point within the workflow thread, all become involved in the process of getting a PR from its requisition phase to the contracting phase. Because of this diversity, activities often have different business processes that they follow. Communication is the key to making the approval process run smoothly. The PRBuilder Program Office ensures that we communicate with our users through mass emails, notifications on the PRBuilder website and our newsletter. We would like to invite all to take advantage of our newsletter that we distribute throughout our user communities, and also post to our Paperless Acquisition website.

Do you have any news you would like to share with our users? Would you like to share how PRBuilder helps you with your process? What are the differences within your command as far as utilizing PRBuilder? Your message will be placed in a section called "From the Community", and it is a great opportunity to get any announcements out to all of our users. Please contact the PRBuilder Office at 202-538-5432 for submission. We are here to listen and help you communicate to our user community!

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